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UNITED (STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BLAUDIN DE THE et al.

Group Art Unit:

Serial No.: 07/649,342

Examiner: R. Teskin

Filed: February 1, 1991

For: NOVEL STEROID/THYROID HORMONE RECEPTOR-RELATED GENE, WHICH

IS INAPPROPRIATELY EXPRESSED

IN HUMAN HEPTOCELLULAR

CARCINOMA, AND WHICH IS A

RETINOIC ACID RECEPTOR

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 2, lines 18, 24, 25, change "et al." to --et al.-- (all occurrences).

Page 3, lines 4 and 19, change "et al." to --et al.--.

Page 5, line 23, delete "for".

Page 8, line 23, change "(vit-tk-CAT)" to --(vit-tk-CAT)--.

Page 10, line 3, change "concnetration" to --concentration-and "proteiaceous" to --proteinaceous--; and

Tine 11, change "chromotograph" to

--chromotography--.

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